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**Advisory Action**

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THE REPLY FILED 17 September 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

**PERIOD FOR REPLY** [check either a) or b)]

- a) ☒ The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☐ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.
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Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. ☐ A Notice of Appeal was filed on \_\_\_\_\_. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
- (a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
- (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
- (c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
- (d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: \_\_\_\_\_

3. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): \_\_\_\_\_.
4. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. ☒ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☒ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
6. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. ☒ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☒ will not be entered or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: none.Claim(s) objected to: 7,15.Claim(s) rejected: 1,3-6,8,9,11-14,16,17,19 and 20.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: \_\_\_\_\_.

8. ☐ The drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
9. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_.
10. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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PRIMARY EXAMINER

Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The Applicant's arguments do not overcome the rejections because the cited prior art fully discloses the claimed invention because Bauer clearly teaches FIG. 5 shows a flow diagram 5 illustrating control of resource usage according to the present invention. A user at a PC 22e desire consume disk storage space on disk drive 25e by copying a file at step 51. At step 52, the file system queries the accounts database for determining whether the resource request exceeds the storage quota assigned to the user identity for the user. If, at step 53, the storage quota has not been exceeded, the operation is authorized and the file is copied at step 54. The consumption information for the user identity is updated accordingly at step 55. If the storage quota has been exceeded at step 53, the consumption is denied and the operation fails at step 56.

Bauer clearly teaches Checking with the authority for resource consumption authorization at the time the resource is requested to be consumed allows, for this example, printing of the first fifty page file and then denies printing of the next two print requests because the appropriate network-wide quota for the network identity is updated after the first request for resource consumption is complete (col. 5 lines 6-15);

Furthermore, Bauer teaches the network-wide maximum-use quota for the resource that is associated with the user is compared to a network-wide resource amount that is in-use by the user. If the limits are not exceeded, then the requested resource is allocated to the user for consumption and the information relating to network-wide resource amount that is in-use or consumed by the user identity is updated when the consumption is complete. If it is determined that the quota has been exceeded, the user is denied consumption of the resource.

Savitsky further teaches communicating and transmitting the document from the server to the computer of the client and updating the original receipt to indicate the document was provided to the client (col. 10, lines 36-44). Therefore, the teaching of Savitsky would modify the deficiency of Bauer.